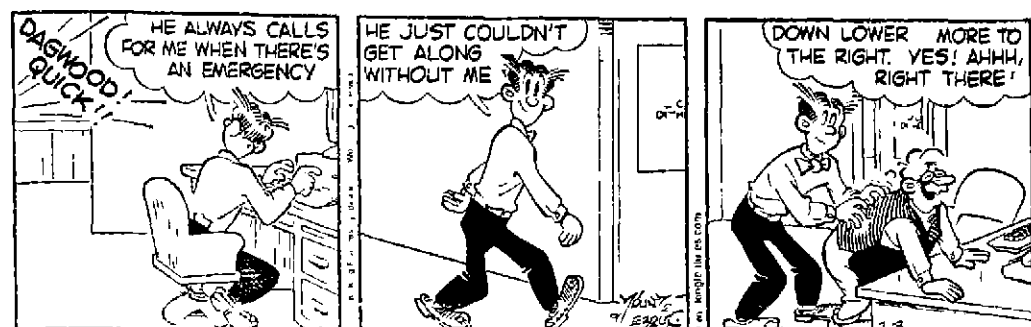
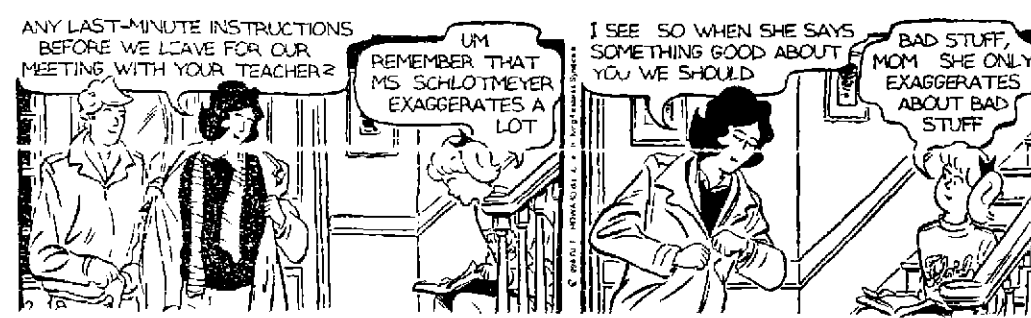


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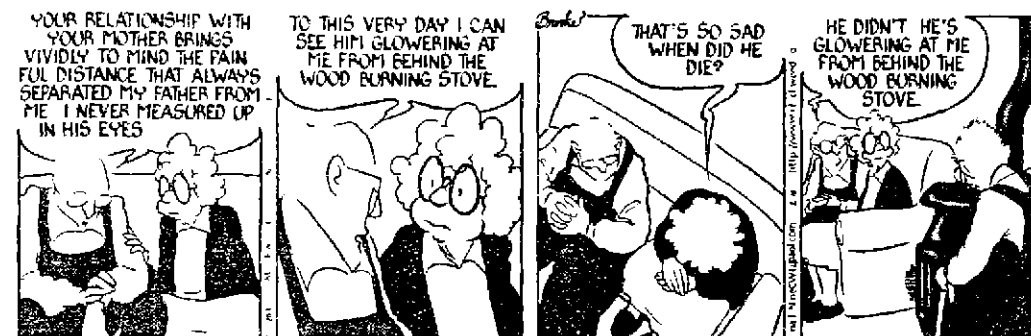
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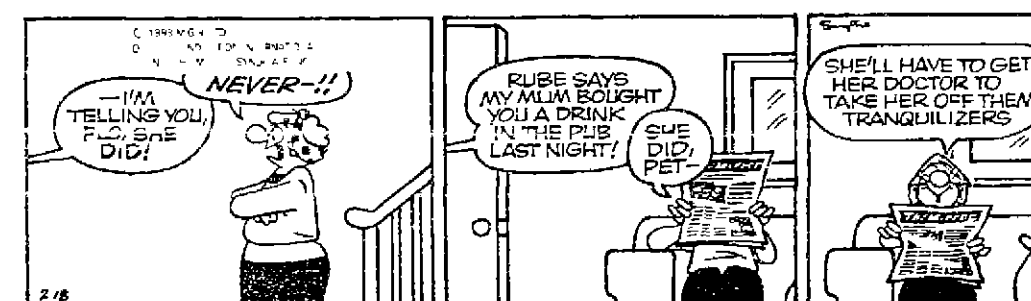
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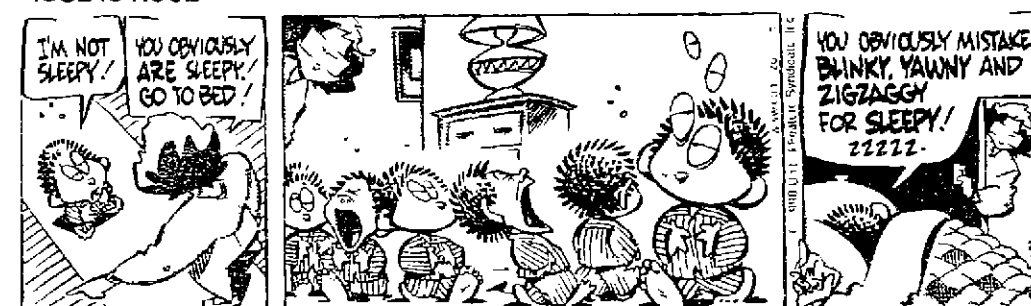
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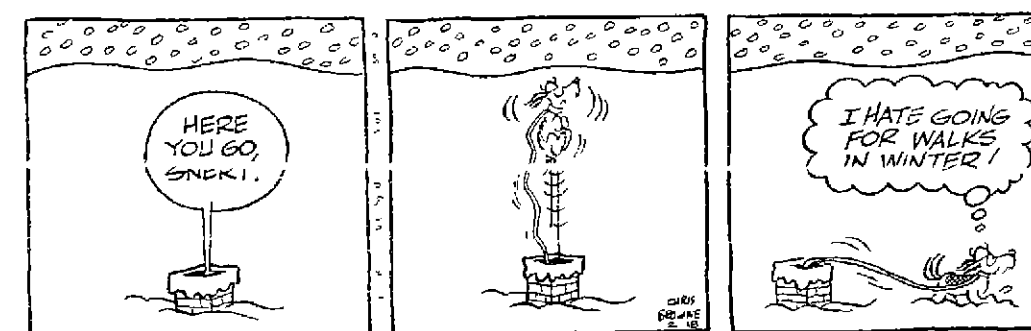
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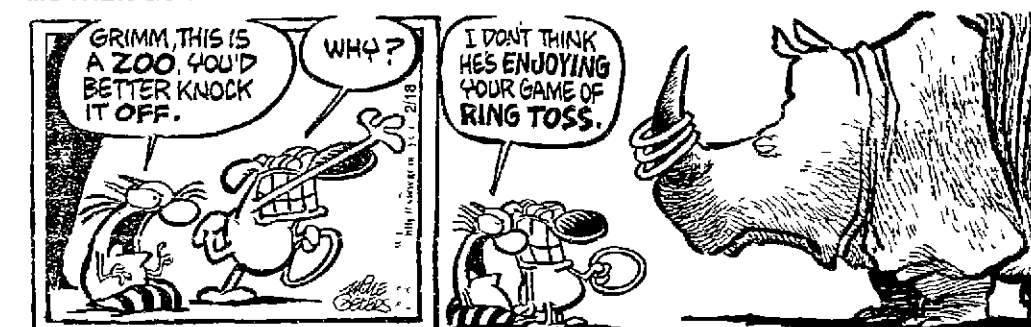
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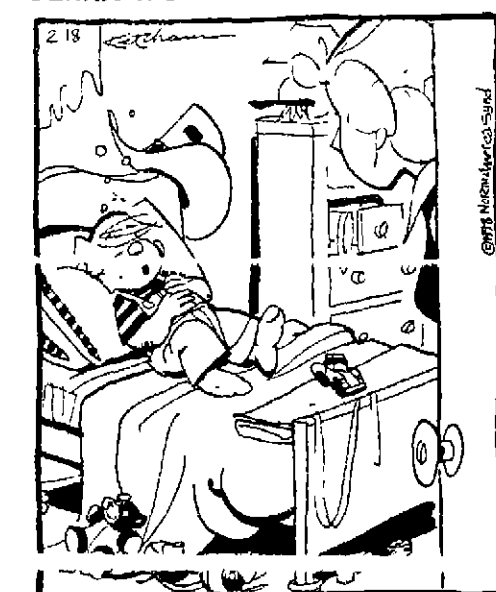
## MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



## DILBERT



## DENNIS THE MENACE



## FAMILY CIRCUS



## RHYMES WITH ORANGE



## RALPH



## Today's Birthdays

Songwriter-musician Pee Wee King is 84. Actor Jack Palance is 77. Actor George Kennedy is 73. Singer Yoko Ono is 65.

as is 57. Actress Sinead O'Connor is 50. Actress Cybill Shepherd is 48. Singer Juice Newton is 46. Rock musician Robbie Bachman is 45. Actor John Travolta is 44. Game show host Bob Barker is 41. Actor Matt Dillon is 34. Rapper Dr. Dre is 33. Actress Molly Ringwald is 30.

## I NEED HELP



## SCRABBLE

PAR SCORE 95-105  
by JUDD

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points in each word to get your score. Blank tiles have no point value. All Judd's words are in the Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merrill Webster, Inc.). Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW.

1. L R L T H S T 3rd Letter Double

2. M U U M D T Y 5th Letter Double

3. V T E E I R D

4. N N S Y P U K

EQUILIBRATED TOTAL TIME LIMIT 20 MIN

For solution, see Classified.

## WORD SLEUTH

## - Cup

U J F B Y U R O K H D A X U O  
N K H N E B B Y V S P M J H E  
B Y V T O U H Q O L I G D B Y  
G W T S R T P T S M K I F D B  
Y N W W R T S L A T U S Q O M  
K I I T O E A N C E A F D B Z  
X W U V E R D R I S D N Q O N  
L J H F O A L E R W F D L C A  
Y W F L V L V D E C A R G E T  
S O F I O C P Y M R N L K I Y  
C H S F E C E R A B B Z Y W V

Tuesday's unlisted clue: BEE

Find the listed words in the diagram. They can be in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Wednesday's unlisted clue hint: TOP HOCKEY TROPHY

|           |        |        |         |
|-----------|--------|--------|---------|
| Amnesia's | Coffee | Floral | Tea     |
| Breeder's | Davis  | Grace  | Winston |
| Butter    | Death  | Loving | World   |
| Claret    | Eye    | Ryder  |         |

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## HOROSCOPE

For Thursday, Feb. 19, 1998

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Restlessness and a vague sense of uneasiness pervade your mood.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You're tempted to do something very daring to impress a certain someone. However, this isn't in your best interest.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Morning hours are devoted to solving a child's problem, whether scholastic or social. Later you apply yourself to a work project.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) If you're not computer-literate, this is the time to learn. New opportunities are likely to come your way as a result.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) Co-workers follow your lead. Fortunately, you have just the right touch to smooth over the situation.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) You need to look beyond someone's actual words and examine that person's recent actions. The two aren't in sync.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Your curiosity is piqued, but you need to bide your time. If you push someone for answers, you're most likely to meet with massive resistance.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You're tempted to stick your nose where it doesn't belong. For the time being, it's best to mind your own business.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Since you're a computer whiz, you're evening out a plot of a financial course for the future.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) You're trying too hard in the arena of romance. A late-day crisis on the job is speeding your way.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Instead of running around, it's best to stay in one place. An evening phone call proves intriguing.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to March 20) You can come up with a wonderfully creative solution to a problem at work. This could entail coming up with a new invention, such as a tool.

## ACES ON BRIDGE

## By Bobby Wolff

Today's South set early, course on eliminating his club loser and he succeeded. But it didn't help him. What simple maneuver did he miss that would have guaranteed his game? South took his club ace, sheared off his top spades and led a trump to dummy's ace. Quickly he discarded his club loser on dummy's spade queen. With the main work done, complacency urged him to try for an overtrick, visualizing clear sailing ahead. South led a trump from dummy and played his king when East followed. West's discard brought bad news. South not only had a trump loser but had to play diamonds from his own hand to lose three tricks in that suit. How does South clinch the game? His play to the first five tricks was on course. However, he should not have counted on a 2-2 trump break. If he decides to lead a trump after discarding his losing club, he must take a chance through East. If it loses, only an overtrick will be lost. A trump remains in dummy to limit his diamond losers to two, and South has 10 winners. Another way to success is for South to abandon trumps, leading a diamond from dummy instead after discarding his losing club. A ruff in dummy limits his losses to only two diamonds and a trump, producing the same 10 winners. Be careful about overconfidence. An early success tends to foster complacency — a time when many games slip away.

| NORTH   |            | EAST    |         |
|---------|------------|---------|---------|
| ♠ 9 4 2 | ♠ 10 7 6   | ♥ 10 8  | ♥ 10 8  |
| ♥ A 7 5 | ♥ 6 2      | ♦ A 8 3 | ♦ A 8 4 |
| ♦ 6 2   | ♦ 10 7 5 4 | ♣ A 8 4 | ♣ A 8 4 |

WEST: ♠ J 8 5 3, ♥ 2, ♦ K 10 5 4, ♣ Q J 9 2

SOUTH: ♠ A K, ♥ A J 9 6 3, ♦ Q J 7, ♣ A 6

Dealer: South

The bidding: South West North East 1♥ Pass 2♥ Pass 3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass

Opening lead: Club queen

## N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

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## ACROSS

- 1 "High Hopes" lyricist  
5 Romeo  
9 Pull oneself up to the bar  
13 Melange  
14 Microsoft chief, to some  
16 "Darling, Je Vous Beaucoup"  
17 Answers, for short  
18 Poet Dickinson  
19 Dirty Harry's employer, Abbr.  
20 1729 Jonathan Swift pamphlet, with "A"  
23 Old enough to know better?  
24 Pork place?  
25 Frasier's brother
- 27 Highly rated  
29 Begin again  
30 Cosby series  
33 Without whiskers  
37 Key or Kennedy  
38 1965 Gary Lewis and the Playboys hit  
41 "2001" mainframe  
42 Fluster  
43 Chip for a pot  
44 Crater Lake locale  
46 Obi — Kenobi  
48 Enrui, to Enrique  
49 Stat for Barry Bonds  
52 Fall guy  
56 1992 Paula Abdul hit, with Steve Wonder on harmonica
- 59 Listen and obey  
60 Take the honey and run  
61 Driver's selection  
62 Suffix with bachelor  
63 Comparatively cagey  
64 Collate  
65 Like show horses  
66 Cold capital  
67 Artist Paul

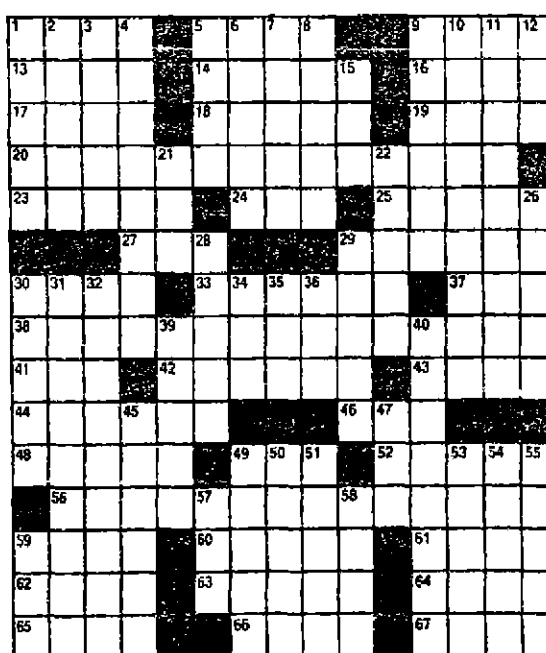
## DOWN

- 1 Popular women's mag  
2 Reserved  
3 Broom — (comics witch)  
4 Posies  
5 Help at a heist  
6 Proceeds fatteringly  
7 Play at love  
8 Brass or bronze  
9 Black cocktail liqueur  
10 Pompous  
11 Carry out  
12 Stephen Foster's "Old Uncle"  
13 Bilk, say  
14 Melville setting  
15 Erect  
16 Bulrush, e.g.  
18 Like some flu  
19 Ask for more  
20 "Some Like"  
21 Offer some to

## ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

CAAN CATER IBIS  
ALDO ATRIA TALE  
RODSERLING ARIA  
ONE XMAS PELHAM  
GERATES MARIA  
CON CAPSCREW  
LAPEL MANET BRO  
ANOS SANER COLE  
MOS DUKES CORES  
PITVIVER MOP  
HIKER PARAPET

HOSE STICKUPMAN  
UPTO PENCE APIG  
GEES YASIR DALE



Puzzle by Bob Klein

- 32 Entered en masse  
34 This may be over your head  
35 Tbsp. or tsp.  
36 Radio setting, Abbr.  
39 Covet, with "over"  
40 Threw caution to the wind  
45 Like some lilies  
46 Rich kid in "Nancy"
- 50 Encourages, with "up"  
51 Push forward  
52 Its capital is Innsbruck  
54 Chocolate marshmallow snack  
55 "Fiddler on the Roof" matchmaker  
57 Hoped-for response to 56-Across  
58 Dynamic start  
59 Enero por ejemplo

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